I will go West!


Music by J. P. BARRETT.

Allegretto.

1. Oh! times are tough, amazing rough,
   Expenses are alarming,
   I will go West, it's far the best,
   Try my luck at farming.

2. For the idea, of staying here
   To just earn your gruel,
   Makes me feel sad and sometimes mad
   Tis so awful cruel.

3. Goods are so high, I have a sigh,
   At the cost of living;
   My loving wife, she sees the strife
   And has a spell of crying.

4. Now there's my boys, my chiefest joys,
   To have them in the City,
   Amid the harm, gives me alarm
   And I ache with pity.

5. And there's my girls, with auburn curls
   May be slaves to fashion,
   And lay such stress, on how to dress,
   Becomes a ruling passion.

6. Now it's no use, I've stood abuse
   I'll take all with dear Mary,
   Settle down in a country town,
   Farm it on a prairie.

7. My barns replete with corn and wheat,
   Lots of milk and butter,
   'T would be a shame, to here complain
   Or a murmurer utter.

8. Now we'll start with cheerful heart
   Nor fear our journey hindered,
   For we don't care, a single hair
   For smoke or flying cinders.

9. On end of car, we'll shout hurrah,
   Farewell, friend and neighbor,
   We're going where, there's bread to spare
   Easy time of labor.

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